

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:194

ANSWERED ON:25.07.2006

ASHOK PRADHAN COMMITTEE

Singh Shri Rajiv Ranjan (Lalan);Suman Shri Ramji Lal

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a Committee headed by Shri Ashok Pradhan was constituted to conduct a study about Delhi state;
- (b) if so, the date on which this Committee was set up alongwith its composition;
- (c) the terms of reference of the Committee; and
- (d) the time by which the Committee is likely to submit its report to the Government?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY)

(a): A Committee has been constituted under the chairmanship of Shri Ashok Pradhan to study the issue of multiplicity of institutions dealing with urban development issues in Delhi.

(b): The Committee was set up on 26th April, 2006. The composition of the Committee is as follows:-

1.Shri Ashok Pradhan - Chairman
IAS (Retd.)

2.Home Secretary, -Member
Government of India or
his representative

3.Secretary, Urban - Member
Development ,
Government of India or
his representative

4.Chief Secretary, - Member
Government of National Capital
Territory of Delhi

5.Dr. (Ms.) Kanika T. Bhal, - Member
Associate Professor,
Deptt. of Management Studies, IIT, Delhi

6.Shri O.P. Kelkar, - Member Secretary
Principal Secretary
(Urban Development),

(c): The terms of reference of the Committee are as follows:-

(i) To identify authorities/agencies which are discharging various functions in relation to urban development and civic amenities in NCT of Delhi.

(ii) To determine their respective roles, responsibilities, inter-relationships and existing arrangements for coordination (institutionalized or otherwise).

(iii) The contribution of these agencies in promoting well-planned development of the national capital; the level of effectiveness in addressing the issues of urban growth; the bottlenecks in dealing with urban development issues (legal, institutional and procedural) and how coordination and effectiveness can be improved.

(iv) Is the existing arrangement of multiplicity of authorities essential to run the urban affairs of Delhi as the National Capital Territory of the country?

(v) If not, to identify alternative mechanisms that could be adopted and how such alternative mechanisms can be established.

(d): The Committee has been given three months time to submit the report.